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TO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY ANKARA NIACT IMMEDIATE

USCINCEUR NIACT IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 164744

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS

SUBJECT: MORGAN ABDUCTION - CONTINGENCY PLANS

REF: (A) STATE 160442; (B) BEIRUT 8798; (C) USCINCEUR  
118452 JULY 75; (D) ANKARA 5392

JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. WE AGREE WITH EMBASSY SCENARIO (REF B), WITH WHICH REF C  
ACCORDS. SINCE POSSIBILITY EXISTS FOR RELEASE AT ANY TIME,  
WE HEREIN REVIEW STEPS ENVISAGED, INCLUDING HANDLING OF  
PRESS.

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2. ON RELEASE MORGAN WILL BE BROUGHT TO AUB HOSPITAL.  
UPON HIS BEING DECLARED FIT TO TRAVEL, HE WILL BE ESCORTED  
TO AIRPORT AND DEPART BY COMMERCIAL AIR FOR ANKARA,  
ACCOMPANIED BY LT. COL. BENNETT, UNLESS HIS CONDITION OR

CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE MOVEMENT ELSEWHERE.

4. USG PRESS HANDLING WILL BE COORDINATED IN WASHINGTON (REF A, PARA 2) ON BASIS OF FACTUAL INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED BY FLASH MESSAGE FROM EMBASSY. ANY DIRECT CONTACT OF PRESS WITH MORGAN WILL TAKE PLACE IN ANKARA. DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND DOD WILL DECIDE, ON BASIS

OF RECOMMENDATION OF EMBASSIES BEIRUT AND ANKARA, WHETHER DIRECT CONTACT IS DESIRABLE. A PRIMARY CONSIDERATION IS PERSONAL WELFARE OF COL. MORGAN, AND HIS PERSONAL DESIRES CONCERNING PRESS INTERVIEWS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED. PRELIMINARY DEBRIEFINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED PRIOR TO ANY PRESS CONTACT. INGERSOLL

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